

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, title:

DEVICE FOR SUPPORTING LUMBAR VERTEBRAS ~~AND/OR~~ AND/OR
SACROSPINAL MUSCLES

At page 1, lines 1-3:

This invention relates to a device for supporting lumbar vertebrae ~~and/or~~ and/or sacrospinal muscles commonly called a lumbar belt.

At page 2, line 24 – page 3, line 4:

To achieve this, the invention proposed a device for supporting lumbar vertebrae ~~and/or~~ and/or sacrospinal muscles, commonly called a lumbar belt, and comprising a posterior lumbar support part and two lateral parts fixed to the posterior part and provided with additional closing means at their free front ends, remarkable in the outside face of the posterior part includes attachment means that can cooperate with additional attachment means fixed to the free back ends of the lateral parts in order to close the belt without the lateral parts overlapping on the patient's abdominal area.

At page 5, lines 19-25:

In the same way as above, the lateral parts 2a and 2b are advantageously made from a fabric with loops 12a on its outside face, in other words the face of the lateral parts 2a and 2b that do not come into contact with the patient's skin, the loops cooperating with additional hooked type closing means 12b such as Velcro (registered trademark).

At page 6, lines 13 - 17:

In one particularly advantageous manner, the outside face of the posterior part 1 comprises marking lines 13 extending parallel to ~~and/or~~ and/or perpendicular to the lateral edges of the posterior part 1, the said lines being shown as chain dotted lines in Figure 2.

At page 6, line 21 – page 7, line 7:

Accessorily, the device for supporting lumbar vertebrae ~~and/or~~ and/or sacrospinal muscles comprises two secondary lateral parts 14a, 14b composed of two narrow rectangular fabric strips obtained from a longitudinally elastic fabric and provided with loops capable of cooperating with additional hooked closing means on one of its faces corresponding to the outside face of these secondary lateral parts 14a, 14b. These secondary lateral parts 14a, 14b are slightly shorter than the lateral parts 2a and 2b. Furthermore, these secondary lateral parts 14a, 14b include self-gripping attachment means 15a, 16a and 15b, 16b on their inside face at their slightly rounded front and back free ends, of the hooked type capable of cooperating with loops on the outside face of the said secondary lateral parts 14a, 14b ~~and/or~~ and/or lateral parts 2a, 2b respectively ~~and/or~~ and/or loops on the outside face and the posterior part.

At page 8, lines 3-8:

Moreover, it is quite obvious that the loops on the outside faces of the posterior part 1 ~~and/or~~ and/or the principal lateral parts 2a, 2b ~~and/or~~ and/or secondary parts 14a, 14b may consist of loops of a fabric strip sewn onto the outside face of the said parts, without going outside the scope of the invention.